

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of :
Yoshihisa SHIRASAKI et al. : **Mail Stop: PCT**
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ALPHA-KETOAMIDE DERIVATIVE, AND
PRODUCTION METHOD AND USE THEREOF
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to calculating the filing fee, please amend the above-identified application
as follows: